



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Assembly Bill 575

**Assembly
Amendment 1**

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Current law authorizes a municipality, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, or town sanitary district to charge a boat operator a reasonable fee for the use of a public boat launching facility that the municipality or district owns or operates.

Assembly Bill 575 authorizes a municipality or district that owns or operates a public boat launching facility to charge a boat operator who is using those facilities an additional fee to support a water safety patrol that the municipality or district operates. The fee may not exceed 20% of the fee for the daily resident vehicle admission to a state park (currently \$1.37).

Assembly Amendment 1 requires a municipality or district who wishes to charge either the boat launch or water safety patrol fee to adopt the fee by ordinance. The amendment also requires that a local authority that charges fees to boat operators for the use of public boat launching facilities prominently post each fee and the purpose for which the fee is imposed at the boat launching facilities where the fee is imposed.

Legislative History

Assembly Amendment 1 was adopted and Assembly Bill 575 was recommended for passage by the Assembly Committee on Tourism, Recreation and State Properties by a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 1; on February 14, 2008.

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